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LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN PEACE PROPOSALS TO BELGIUM.

BELGIUM PREPARED TO FIGHT AS LONG AS BRITAIN.

Greek Policy: Neutrality at All Costs.

THREATS OF FURTHER CANADIAN OUTRAGES.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

THE KING.

ON THE HIGH ROAD TO RECOVERY.

February 11, 12.10 p.m.
His Majesty the King is now on the high road to recovery. He has resumed his visits to the wounded.

RACE MEETINGS.

MANY FIXTURES CANCELLED.

February 11, 12.10 p.m.
All Race Meetings have been cancelled except the Newmarket fixtures. There will be three extra Meetings at Newmarket (two in June and one in September) and Meetings will also take place at Gatwick, Lingfield, Newbury and Windsor, each of three fixtures.

OIL FREIGHTS DROP.

EFFECT ON PRICE OF PETROL.

February 11, 12.10 p.m.
The sharp fall in American oil freights, from \$6 to \$4 per ton, due to the appearance of unexpected tonnage, is expected to reduce the price of petrol.

GERMANY AND BELGIUM.

SEVERAL OFFERS OF PEACE.

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GERMAN EDITOR ON TRIAL.

INCITING CLASS HATRED.

February 10, 8.25 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says M. Meyer, the editor of Vorwärts, is being tried for inciting class hatred.

ONE WEEK'S IMPRISONMENT.

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EAST AFRICAN CAMPAIGN.

BELGIAN TROOPS CO-OPERATING.

February 11, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter has been officially informed that the Belgian troops are admirably co-operating in German East Africa, which they invaded from the west. The fighting is progressing and they have already repulsed the Germans in numerous actions, often co-operating with the Rhodesians.

GREEK POLICY.

NEUTRALITY AT ALL COSTS.

February 11, 1.45 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Athens, the Premier in the Chamber re-asserted his determination to abide by neutrality at all costs.
A Deputy pointed out that the Government's policy had excited the suspicions of the Entente, but the Chamber, with six dissentients, passed a vote of confidence in the Government.

CANADIAN OUTRAGES.

PARLIAMENT FIRE INQUIRY.

February 11, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa says that the investigation into the Houses of Parliament fire has opened.
The Commissioner (Mr. Pringle) referred to German incendiaries in the United States and said that it was time for Canada to awake, or there would be greater disasters.

FURTHER THREATS.

February 11, 1.45 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Quebec says that Government officials have received letters threatening to blow up the Ross Rifle factory and the Parliament Buildings.

CATTLE FOR GERMANY.

February 11, 1.45 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, it is estimated that ten thousand head of cattle from the flooded districts have been sent to Germany.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GREEKS DISPERSE BULGARIANS.

February 10, 4.40 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, a telegram from Athens states that a Greek detachment dispersed a band of Bulgarian comitadjis at Soros on February 8. Many were made prisoners including the leader.

FRENCH MISSION TO ITALY.

WARM RECEPTION AT ROME.

February 10, 5.30 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Rome states that there were impressive demonstrations on the visit of M. Briand and the French Ministers. They were welcomed by Signor Salandra and the Italian Ministers. There were immense crowds, despite the rain, and military honours were accorded.

OBJECT OF THE MISSION.

February 11, 4.35 p.m.
The mission of M. Briand and the French Ministers to Italy is most important and is expected to result in the Italians sending troops to Salonica; the establishment of a common Diplomatic Council of the Allies with its seat at Paris, and the participation of Italy in the manufacture of munitions.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

ANTI-GERMAN AGITATION IN TORONTO.

February 10, 2.40 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Toronto says that the anti-German agitation is rapidly spreading.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

PERCE LOCAL FIGHTING.

February 10, 4.55 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, a communique reports fierce local fighting at Artois. We re-occupied more ground at La Folle. The Germans at nightfall made a strong attack on the Neuville-La Folle Road, but were repulsed. We took some prisoners in the Somme region, also two quickfiring.

GERMANS DRIVEN BACK TO TRENCHES.

February 11, 1.35 a.m.
The Paris communique says we continued our progress in Artois by bombing the communication trenches, west of La Folle. Two German attacks west of Hill 140 were completely repulsed. The Germans exploded a mine north of Neuville-Thelus Road, and we occupied the crater. A party of the enemy attempted an attack south of the Somme but were immediately driven back to their trenches by a curtain of fire. Our artillery destroyed a blockhouse in the Beauvraignes district. They bombarded enemy cantonments and carried out a destructive fire on the works at Mamiel, Champagne, the Forest of Mortuure, and Woivre. The Germans, as on the two previous days, threw heavy shells from long range on the Belfort Fortress but only two were fired when our artillery concentrated its fire on the enemy battery which was located on February 9, simultaneously bombarding the military establishments south-west of Mulhausen.

SUCCESSFUL AEROPLANE RAID.

February 11, 12.05 a.m.
General Sir Douglas Haig reports that eighteen aeroplanes successfully raided the enemy bus at Terhand. Hostile artillery has been active at Fouque Villers, and elsewhere. The enemy exploded a mine north-east of Giverny, but no damage was done. There has been mutual shelling south of Bois Grenier and we engaged the enemy batteries at St. Julien.

THE RUSSIANS.

THREATENING CZERNOWITZ.

February 10, 5.20 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says the Russians, by forcing the passage across the Dniester, threaten the enemy positions at Czernowitz. According to prisoners, the Austro-German desperate defence of Czernowitz, where they have had enormous losses, is due to an Army Order declaring that the fall of Czernowitz will cause Roumania to join the Entente.

ACTIVITY IN BLACK SEA.

February 11, 4.00 a.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, the latest communique says there have been active artillery and rifle duels on the Riga front. The Russian guns were most effective, wrecking the enemy works. The Russians between Rovno and Lutsk captured two hills at the point of the bayonet and repulsed the counter attacks. Destroyers in the Black Sea bombarded the Turkish positions and sank seven sailing ships on the Anatolian coast. Large enemy forces were defeated south of Hamadan, Persia.

THE ZEPPELIN RAID.

RAIDERS CHOSE WOMEN AND CHILDREN FOR TARGETS.

February 10, 9.50 p.m.
An official statement issued in connection with the recent Zeppelin raid states that the first air-raider on February 9, selected a tramcar full of women and children as a target but no damage was done and there was no panic. The raider was plainly seen circling round and it dropped three bombs in an adjoining field. The second raider selected a large girls' school and a bomb exploded in the upper storey doing some material damage. Portions of the ceiling fell upon a class of small children. A little girl had her foot cut and a maid was slightly injured. Three bombs fell in the school ground but did no damage. Two other bombs caused slight material damage, wounding a woman. Naval and military aeroplanes ascended within a few minutes of sighting the raiders, but were unable to overtake them owing to the precipitate nature of their flight.

(Continued on page 5).

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

The investigation into the Canadian Parliament fire has opened.

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The death is announced of Brigadier General Charles Henry Westmoreland, C.B.

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TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

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Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Monday, February 14.
Union Waterboat Co. Ltd.—Meeting of shareholders; 11 a.m.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.—Extraordinary general meeting; at noon.

Tuesday, February 15.
H.K. Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.—Meeting of shareholders; noon.

Saturday, February 19.
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—Meeting of shareholders; noon.

Monday, February 21.
The Races.
Tuesday, February 22.
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Wednesday, February 23.
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Saturday, February 26.
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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

South China Morning Post.

To-day's Peace Feelers.

Britain entered the bloody conflict in the full knowledge of what she was doing and, notwithstanding untold sacrifices, her attitude is and ever will be that there shall be no peace until the guilty in this crime against humanity have been forced to their knees in humblest submission and remorse. In this attitude Britain has the staunch support of her Allies. That the tyrant is weaker to-day than he was in as clear as the noon-day sun. That the Allies are stronger is equally certain. All the advantage lies with the side that is strong, and an overwhelming victory is but a matter of time. Since the foregoing was written the Kaiser has received his answer—King Albert has rejected the German peace proposals and the Allies have positively refused to consider peace on the basis of reverting to conditions as they existed before the war. We may confidently add that the Allies will never consider peace on any terms until their aim is completely achieved and the world is rid for years to come of the peril of Prussian aggression.

Daily Press.

British Trade in China.

It has been by foreseeing, and even creating, a demand that Germany has got ahead of the United Kingdom in that which Mr. Ker refers to as "the most promising field at present for British engineering enterprise"—electrical requirements. But any advance into unexplored regions may be hazardous unless it is supplemented with the fullest possible information, and it is here that we think British commerce in the Far East is going to reap the benefit of recent developments, particularly of the founding of the British Chamber of Commerce at Shanghai. It is only a large organisation that is able to collate information from all available sources, and, given this organisation, we look forward to seeing British firms hearing of openings as soon as those of any other nationality, and not learning of opportunities only after they have been seized by German or other firms.

China Mail.

The War.

The bombastic utterances of German statesmen regarding the confidence they are said to feel in the successful outcome of the war for Germany are disproved by nothing so effectively as the strenuous efforts which Germany has been making during the winter to detach one or other of the Allies from the combination. Efforts to come to terms of peace with Russia have been made repeatedly, but the Russian Minister has told us these suggestions have been completely ignored. Now we are again told of German peace offers to the King of Belgium, and in the present circumstances they might look sufficiently tempting to be seriously considered by the harassed and oppressed people of Belgium; but it is inconceivable that such terms will be entertained at the present stage of the war.

The Recruiting Possibilities of Australia.

Of the 1,224,162 males between the ages of 18 and 60 who have been registered in Australia, 775,419, or 63.34 per cent., have been classed as "fit," 380,232, or 31.06 per cent., as "doubtful," and 68,511, or 5.6 per cent., as "unfit." The number of fit men between the ages of 18 and 34 is given as 422,814.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Well-known Gaffer Enlists.

Michael Moran, who for five successive years won the Irish Professional Golf Championship, has enlisted and is now a private in the South Irish Horse. He left Ireland two years ago to become professional at Seaham Harbour.

Colossal Shark Captured off Korea.

On January 18 a Japanese trawler captured alive a huge shark off Kokuzun Island, Korea. It was bound up with ropes, and was towed into the harbour of Shimoda. It measured 25 feet in length and 10 feet round its body.

A New Fur Market.

For two centuries the world's fur dealers have come to London to buy furs at the auctions held there. Lately, it is said, sixty per cent. of these dealers have been Germans. Naturally, they are not going to London this year. A movement has been started to make New York City the centre of this trade, and auctions are being held in New York which are attended by merchants from all over the world.

De-alcoholized Wine.

An Italian agricultural magazine describes what it calls de-alcoholized wine, which is quite different from fermented grape juice. It is made from ordinary wine, and contains all the components of the latter except alcohol, including the others and aldehydes to which its pleasant taste and stimulating properties are due. It also contains the same acids, and especially tannic acid, which has been found to exercise a protective action against the germs of cholera and typhus. The operation of depriving wine of its alcohol without any other alteration is accomplished by means of fractional distillation under relatively low pressures.

Making the President's

Honeymoon Pleasant!
Hot Springs, Virginia, Dec. 21.—The fact that President Wilson and his bride are spending their honeymoon at the Virginia Hot Springs is drawing many visitors here. Telegraph wires have been kept busy with requests that rooms be reserved for the holidays. Curious ones who since their arrival on Sunday, have sought glimpses of the distinguished bridal couple, have had little satisfaction, so strictly have they kept to their own apartments. Followed by two secret service men to-day, they took a three-mile walk over the golf links, returning just in time for luncheon. In the afternoon the pair took a long auto ride. The president's reply to the petition sent him yesterday by the moving picture men and photographers asking him to relent in his determination that no pictures be taken of himself or Mrs. Wilson during their stay, was that under no circumstances would he change his mind.

Airship Flight Between Tokyo and Osaka.

On the morning of January 21 the Yuhigo, the new Japanese military airship made an experimental flight at Tokorozawa. The result being satisfactory, the airship started on its journey to Osaka at 1.35 p.m. Flying along the Tokaido, it reached Toyohashi at 7.25 p.m. and landed there for a rest, says the Japan Chronicle. At 11.25 p.m., the airship resumed its journey towards Osaka. At about four o'clock the next morning a faint light was noted in the sky to the north of the Osaka parade-ground. The light was that of the Yuhigo. Twelve minutes later it approached the city near enough to make the sound of its engine audible to the city folks, who turned out in large numbers to see the airship, though it was an hour when Osaka had finished going to bed but had hardly begun to get up. After circling over the city several times, the Yuhigo landed on the parade-ground at 5.09 a.m.

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NOTICE.

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Notice is hereby given that an extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company Limited will be held at the Company's Office Queen's Buildings Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday, the 14th February 1916, at 12 o'clock noon, when the following extraordinary resolution, which was passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on the 17th January 1916, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

"That the Regulations contained in the printed document submitted to this meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman hereof be amended as hereafter set out and that such regulations so amended be and same are hereby approved and adopted as the Articles of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all the existing Articles thereof."

The said amendments are:—That Article 67 be amended by the elimination of the words "the Chairman" in line one thereof and by the substitution of the word "three" for the word "five" in line two thereof.

That Article 82 be eliminated. That the following words be added at the end of Article 84 "but any such appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the Company at the next ordinary Yearly Meeting."

That paragraph (b) of Article 90 be eliminated and the following paragraph substituted therefor:—

(b) A Director who is a member of, or a Director of, or a member of the Consulting Committee of, or otherwise interested in, a Public Company which is interested in any contract or arrangement brought up for determination at any Meeting of the Directors shall notwithstanding be entitled to vote as a Director in respect of such contract or arrangement provided:—

(a) That he has disclosed his interest in such Public Company before such contract or arrangement is voted upon by the Directors.

(b) That the Public Company so interested is not a Company whereby a private firm became incorporated and,

(c) That he is not a General Manager of the Public Company in question and that the firm in which he is a partner or which he represents are not the General Managers or General Agents of such Public Company. Save as above provided no Director shall as a Director vote in respect of any contract or arrangement in which he is interested and if he does vote his vote shall not be counted. That Article 96 be amended by the substitution of the word "five" for the word "seven" in line four thereof.

That the following new Article be inserted after Article 96:—

The Company may by Extraordinary Resolution remove any Director before the expiration of his term of office and appoint another person in his stead. The person so appointed shall hold office during such time only as the Director in whose place he is appointed would have held the same if he had not been removed."

That the following words be added at the end of paragraph (a) of Article 98:—

"A Director who is entitled to vote (as provided by Article 96 (b) notwithstanding his interest is to be counted in a quorum, but otherwise a Director who is interested is not to be counted in a quorum."

That the words "to any regulations" be eliminated from line seven of Article 107 and that the following words be substituted therefor "subject also to such (if any) regulations as are and that the words "not being inconsistent with such provisions or these presents" be eliminated from lines eight and nine of Article 107.

That paragraph (p) of Article 108 be eliminated.

That Article 112 be eliminated and the following Article substituted therefor:—

RESERVE FUND.

(a) The Directors before declaring a dividend may with the sanction of the Company in General Meeting set aside out of the profits of the Company such sums as they think proper as a reserve fund to meet contingencies, or for equalising dividends, or for special dividends, or for repaying, improving and maintaining any of the property of the Company or for the augmentation of any existing reserve fund or for such other purposes as they think conducive to the Company's interests and may with such sanction as aforesaid pay out of the profits of the Company such bonuses as they think fit to those members who for the twelve months covered by each profit and loss account shall have contributed business to the Company (but so that no bonus to contributing members for any twelve months shall exceed fifteen per cent. of the net profits made during those months).

(b) The Directors may invest any sums set aside as a reserve fund upon such investments (other than shares of the Company) as they may think fit and may from time to time deal with and vary such investments.

(c) The Directors may employ the reserve fund for the time being or any portion thereof in or for any of the purposes for which it or for which such portion was created and in or for such other purposes as the Directors shall in their discretion think conducive to the interests of the Company and shall have power to employ the assets constituting the reserve fund or any part thereof in the business of the Company and that without being bound to keep the same separate from the other assets of the Company.

(d) The Directors may also with the sanction of the Company in General Meeting employ the reserve fund for the time being or any part thereof in the payment of bonuses to members whether the part of the reserve fund so employed shall be set apart for that special purpose or not."

and that any necessary amendments to the numbering of the proposed Articles be carried out.

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FOR OUR SOLDIERS.

In the early days of the war we suggested that the best way to help the wounded or unemployed men who have risked all for King and country would be by the means of a land scheme, applicable to the Homeland and also, in certain cases, to the British Colonies. We are glad to note from the *Reuter* wires that some practical measures in this direction are being taken. To put the matter plainly, the only way in which Britain can wipe out the disgrace incurred by her former treatment of old soldiers is by establishing (now, not in years hence) some definite and workable means whereby the men who have risked their lives for her—and, in many cases, have lost a limb or their eyesight or their general health in her service—may be kept from want on the one hand, and from an ignoble dependence on "charity" on the other. Years ago the press gave prominence (though not anything like sufficient prominence) to the fact that so many V.C.s, so many Balclutha survivors, so many Mutiny veterans, etc. had met their end in the workhouse. It is easy to argue that this was probably due to the men's own fault; it may have been, but it was still more the fault of the Government and the British people. Kipling knew where the real blame rested when he wrote, in his "Sailin' a Day":

"Think wot 'e's been;
Think wot 'e's seen;
Think of 'is pension', an'—
Guard-Serge the Queen!"

Every reader aged thirty and upwards, will remember, too, the social results of the Boer War. Many of the ingrained loafers of to-day (or rather of pre-war days) had done good service in that campaign—but had never accomplished a day's honest work since! And yet only a small amount of blame remained with them. War, despite the confinement and often inaction of the modern trench work, is not to be compared to a dull and tame indoor occupation; and a few months of it amply suffice to unfit the average workman, shopman or clerk for his former calling. Hitherto people at home seem to have agreed that the ex-soldier has got all that he deserves when he is provided with a "job" as a bricklayer's labourer or a carter—from which occupation, by the way, he may be ousted at the end of any week if business should happen to be bad for his employer.

The proposed small holdings scheme should strike at the root of this old-fashioned system—or rather non-system. The Britisher, by nature, is not a soldier. More than half the loafers at home or in the Colonies have become so because they were put to uncongenial work. Now no Britisher finds outdoor employment, from which a perceptible profit will arise, uncongenial—a point which is amply proved by the fact that emigration to Canada and South Africa has met with such enormous success. Where it has failed has usually been in cases wherein the grants of land were too large or too unmanageable for the unskilled agriculturist, without a reasonable amount of capital, to handle. By nature the Britisher loves the soil. Does not even the most unromantic and most unsentimental Cockney like to think of his bit of back-yard as a "garden" or to convert his window-sill into a flower-bed? The "Back to the Land" promise has been dangled so long and so fruitlessly before the eyes of the townsman that he has almost ceased to believe in the possibility of its fulfilment. And yet it can be so easily carried out if the Government will but exercise a little thought and common sense. It is highly satisfactory to read that proper agricultural training is included in the new programme, and we would suggest, as a useful addition, instruction in livestock rearing. We do not need to be told that farming, as a wide industry, is "played out" at home; but it by no means follows that there is not ample room for many thousands of men to get a decent living out of farming, horticulture and stock raising on a quiet small scale. Tenant farming has failed, largely because it was tenant farming; but we know from what has obtained in France that the man who farms his own land, no matter how small an extent, succeeds—where he who farms someone else's will probably fail for want of permanent interest in his work.

An Old Story.

In the arms possession case which came before the magistrate yesterday, the usual plea of ignorance of the law was advanced, but it was not sufficiently convincing to get the defendant off, a fine of three hundred dollars being the result. There were one or two circumstances which would have lifted the case out of the ordinary run of this type of prosecution if the defendant's version of the facts contained any large element of truth. The offender, a Chinese, had, it appeared, been a merchant in Boston and was returning to his native land. Before he left the States, he purchased a revolver and a quantity of ammunition, for self-protection, as he put it, and sent these things along with his advance luggage. Defendant's friends, to whom the luggage was consigned, had, apparently, themselves been in trouble over the possession of arms, so they searched his boxes, found the weapon and ammunition, and promptly gave information to the police. The contention of the defending solicitor was that this was not a case of importing the revolver into the Colony for sale, and the further point was made that the defendant, like many others, was ignorant of the fact that it is illegal to bring arms into the Colony.

A Serious Matter.

The magistrate, however—very wisely, we think—was not prepared to accept these pleas, because, after all, the question of the importation of arms is far too serious a one on which to take any risks. Once offences of this kind are listened to, we shall find every returned Chinese adopting a similar line of argument. And in this case the mere fact that the box containing the revolver and ammunition was found concealed in an iron stove, and covered over with straw, was sufficient to create a reasonable suspicion that the defendant was not quite the ignorant he posed to be. It may be depended upon that the American Chinese know thoroughly well that arms are not permitted to be brought into Hongkong; anyhow, they can easily obtain the information from their Consul. Even if they do not, they must learn the lesson when they arrive here; that is all. Because, as we say, the matter is far too serious to leave any loophole for the smuggler.

Too Zealous.

We have no great love for the type of Chinese who is every now and then caught carrying opium or morphine and is at pains, when arrested, to explain that he was merely taking it somewhere "for a friend." But that does not prevent us from thinking that the Chinese Revenue Officers, in the morphine possession case which came before Mr. Hazland yesterday, altogether exceeded their powers when they pounced upon the discharged defendant as he was leaving the dock. The magistrate very rightly marked his displeasure at the action of the officers, telling them that, when once he orders a discharge, the defendant should be let alone and allowed to go his way. Whether the man was wanted on another charge, we do not know. But even if he were, the Court was not the place in which to arrest him. In such a case he should at least have been allowed to get outside the precincts of the Magistracy. Happily, instances of the kind under notice are very rare in Hongkong, and it is well for the fair name of British law that they are. These native Revenue Officers need to be reminded that they have responsibilities as well as privileges. After Mr. Hazland's remarks they will probably realise that point.

An Obstinate Woman.

"This woman is a nuisance. She won't get out a licence, and she has been previously convicted for a similar offence," said Inspector O'Sullivan to Mr. Hazland at the Police Court this morning, in a case, in which a woman was charged with hawking food without a licence. Mr. Hazland imposed a penalty of \$10, or, in default, a month's imprisonment.

DAY BY DAY.

FOUL WEATHER WILL RISE, THOUGH ALL THE EARTH OVERWHELM THEM, TO MEN'S EYES.—Hamlet.

The Weather.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 49; dull. (1915, 50 fog).
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 58; dull. (1915, 59 dull).

The Mails.
American, Canadian and U. K. Mails.—Close per a.s. China at noon on Monday.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1/11, 5/16.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
Monday is the 119th anniversary of the British victory of St. Vincent.

Hongkong Mails Lost.
The Post Office notifies that in the sinking of the s.s. *Peria* 50 bags of Hongkong mails, despatched from London on December 24, including five bags of registered articles, were lost.

The Police Reserve.
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Dr. Gregory Paul Jordan to be Surgeon-Superintendent of the Special Police Reserve with the rank of Deputy Superintendent. His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Sergeant-Major Alphonso McCann Thornhill to be Second Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve, with effect from February 8, 1916.

Licensing Board.
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Honourable Mr. Charles McIlvaine Messer to be a Member of the Licensing Board for a period of three years, with effect from February 2, 1916.

The Medical Register.
The names of Feoh Cheng Toe, Ho Mai Ling Hospital; and Teh Lean Swee, Tung Wah Hospital (both Bachelors of Medicine and of Surgery, of the University of Hongkong); have been added to the register of medical practitioners.

Criminal Sessions.
It is notified for general information that His Honour the Chief Justice has ordered that the next Criminal Sessions for the despatch of the business of the Court shall be held on Monday, February 28, 1916, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

January Weather.
Meteorological observations for January show that the average mean temperature during the month was 60.7, the highest being 75.1 (on the 2nd) and the lowest 33.3 (on the 24th). The total rainfall was 4.075 inches, and there were 179.4 hours of sunshine. The average humidity was 72.

Ordinance Assented To.
His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance:—An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Mother Superior in this Colony of the Society of the Daughters of Charity of the Caracross Institute by which the institution known as the Italian Convent is carried on.

Gamblers.
Detective Sergeant Wills charged a Chinese, before Mr. Hazland this morning, with being the keeper of a common gaming house at 30, Shanghai Street, Yau-mat. Four other men were charged with gaming in the house. Although the offence was denied, the evidence of the prosecution was conclusive and Mr. Hazland fined the keeper \$75 and the other three defendants \$5 each.

Police Reserve Prosecution.
Police Reservists figured in a case before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Police Court to-day, in which three Chinese were charged with being in possession of three plates of zinc, valued \$30, at Wing Lok Street, it being reasonably suspected that the plates had been stolen. Inspector Taylor, of the Reserve, effected the arrests, having seen the accused enter a marine store dealer's shop with the plates. He handed the defendants over to two Portuguese Police Reservists. Defendants denied the offence, but were each fined \$20, or 14 days.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

THE POSITION IMPROVES.

Air Raids.

We wonder who the discerning gentleman was who discovered that one of the airships in the recent raid on Ramsgate etc. "selected a tramcar full of women and children" and that another "selected a large girls' school." This is the sort of twaddle that gets us laughed at, both by Germans and by neutrals. No one in his sober senses will believe that a German airship goes harmlessly sailing along until it can find a nursery or a perambulator or a mothers' meeting, for a mark, and then joyously lets go with its bombs. The ruffians who man these airships are "out" for any and every sort of damage; and so blinded are they by hatred of the British and by their own eternal belief in themselves, that they are incapable of any discrimination. In other words, they are bent on injuring the first thing or person that comes in their way. And is not this all the stronger reason why the British should take proper reprisals? Apparently our rulers at home, in their everlasting wisdom, do not think so, but are rather of opinion that the more Germany threatens the British public with inconvenience and danger, the more that inconvenience and danger ought to be increased by additional darkening of the streets. "The a Solomon of a rig'lotion" as Private Mulvaney says.

More Peace Proposals.

It certainly begins to look as though Germany is convinced that the Allies really do mean business and as though she has grasped the fact that, as she grows weaker, they grow steadily stronger. While she is agitatedly calling old men and boys to the colours, she is confronted with the uncomfortable truth that the French, who may be said to have borne the brunt of the land war, have, notwithstanding, still not put forth their full strength; that Russia, despite her admittedly heavy casualty list, has hardly even begun to draw on her enormous resources, and that Italy and Great Britain, by comparison with other belligerents, may be said hardly to have suffered at all. That is how the fact stand and no amount of German toying with the truth can make them otherwise. Thus it is not to be wondered at that the week's crop of peace suggestions should be a bigger one than ever. Undoubtedly the biggest concession that our enemy has yet offered lies in his recent terms to Belgium. His next proposal will probably say nothing at all about "economic and commercial privileges" on the Flemish coast, just as his next proposal to the Allies as a whole will have a little less of the *status quo* business about it; and so he will go on promising till (if the Allies will) but exercise the firmness expected of them he will have to admit that there is nothing in front of him but unqualified and abject surrender.

Better News.

The generally improved condition of affairs from the Entente's point of view would seem to hint that the surrender is not so very far distant. Overnight wires tell of further German attacks defeated on the Western front, of improved methods of dealing with enemy submarines, of a rise in the Russian casualty list alone to 2,377,378, of another Zeppelin destroyed, of strong anti-German agitation in Canada and of Austrians turned back by Serbians. Even the news that the editor of *Vorwarts* is being tried is not without its significance; for, by interfering with that gentleman, Germany is merely hastening the inevitable Socialist revolt. And, in addition to all this, we have the multiplying of Russia's successes and the new position of Roumania—concerning whom, by the way, Germany seems rather to be waiting her threats. Roumania has pleased herself all the way through, and is likely to continue to do so.

1891.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the week ending February 12th, 1891.)

The Dollar.
February 12.—"The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 3/3 1/2."

Germany and the Silver Question.
February 6.—"During the debate on the silver question in the Reichstag, the Government declared that a change in the standard was unnecessary."

Malacca.
February 6.—"Sir James Ferguson has denied that Germany is trying to obtain the concession of a Siamese port in the territory north of Penang."

German Deserters.
February 6.—"Deserters from the German army pass into France nearly every week. They take service in the Foreign Legion and are sent to Algeria or other parts of Africa."

Chinese New Year.
February 7.—"Monday, being the great annual Chinese day of rejoicing, there will be no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph. We take this opportunity of wishing all our Chinese readers a happy and prosperous New Year."

White Elephants.
February 7.—"The Peak Hotel Co.'s Report and Statement of Accounts for 1890, are satisfactory in one sense and very unsatisfactory in another. 'Crucial' has been the 'White elephant,' but reading between the lines it appears to us that there has been a big screw loose elsewhere. So far as hotel business, pure and simple, is concerned, results are fairly encouraging, and we venture to predict that the Peak Hotel, under the able management of Mr. Thomas, a deservedly popular *maitre d'hotel* has a prosperous career before it in the near future."

The Cracker Nuisance.
February 10.—"Although it was publicly notified that cracker firing should cease at 11 o'clock last night, the din of bombs and huge crackers was incessant from midnight up to about 4 on to-day, not all over the town but particularly in the western part of the Central district. If the police have been on the *qui vive* and the magistrates have a keen eye to the interests of Her Gracious Majesty, no doubt the amusement will cost many of our Celestial fellow-residents a good deal more than they anticipated."

Execution of Pirates at Kowloon.
February 10.—"Six men who confessed to committing piracy in the neighbourhood of Mirs Bay recently, were beheaded on the beach at Chinese Kowloon on Sunday. The execution was attended with the usual barbarity, the victims being placed on their knees in line, one behind the other, their heads being backed off in turn. By the time the executioner got to the last man his sword was slightly blunted, and it took him two heavy blows to sever the head from body, though the first blow doubtless sent the man out of what is commonly known as 'this world.'"

Our Water System.

February 11.—"There were three more breakages of the newly laid water pipes on Sunday morning last. One took place on the Praya West, another opposite the Ko Shing Theatre, and the third near the Sailors' Home. Our readers will doubtless call to mind the prediction we made in our columns last week."

The Light of the World.
February 11.—"The fancy dress ball at the Government House last

BANKNOTE RETURNS.

The Returns of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st January 1916, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks are:—

Banks.	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	\$7,558,502	\$5,000,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp.	23,542,419	20,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India Limited.	1,073,770	850,000
Total	\$32,274,691	25,850,000

* Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,850,000.
† Securities with the Crown Agents \$63,040.

VICE ADMIRAL WARRENDER.

Vice-Admiral Sir George J. S. Warrender, who has been selected to succeed Admiral Sir George Le Clerc Egerton as Commander-in-Chief of the Plymouth station, has seen a great deal of active service, says *Truth*. He entered the Navy nearly forty-three years ago, and as a midshipman on the *Boadicea* he landed with the Naval Brigade during the Zulu War and accompanied the Ekowe relief column. He was promoted to the rank of captain from the Royal yacht *Victoria* and *Albert*, and was flag-captain on the *China* station from 1899 to 1902. Later he was Commander-in-Chief on the East India station, and as rear-admiral commanded the Second Cruiser Squadron from November, 1910, to December, 1912. On the occasion of the State visit of the King and Queen to Ireland in July, 1911, he commanded the naval contingent at the review of the King in Phoenix Park. When the present war broke out Sir George was in command of the Second Battle Squadron.

night is reported to have been only a qualified success. According to the talk of the town, the most conspicuous elements in the exhibition were the Eight Hon. Lord Connaught, late Governor of Madras, and the Hon. Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Colonial Treasurer of this highly favoured colony. It will be observed that we give these two worthies their full titles on this occasion. His Lordship was tastefully attired in a somewhat highly coloured divorce suit; Mr. Mitchell-Innes modestly representing "the Light of the world." Public opinions divided as to which of the pair bore away the palm.

A German Fined.
February 12.—"A German, described as Mr. Oscar Kleinmann, merchant of Victoria Building, Queen's Road, was charged before Mr. Woodhouse at the Police Court this morning with an offence against common decency. He admitted the charge and excused himself by saying he was drunk. Five dollars. Cheap at the price. A Chinese would most likely have been sent to gaol for a month without the option of a fine."

Mr. A. P. MacEwen.
February 12.—"Mr. A. P. MacEwen, for many years a resident of this colony in connection with the old established firm of Holliday, Wise & Co., and one of the ablest and most independent of our unofficial members of the Legislative Council, informs us that he has established himself in business as a China merchant at No. 31, Lombard Street, London E.C. A Cantonese merchant of much experience will be associated in the business, and under Mr. MacEwen's supervision will have special charge of the import and export departments. We wish Mr. MacEwen every success in his new business. His departure from the Far East was a great loss to Hongkong; he was a thorough all round sportsman, a leader in every public movement, a liberal supporter of our local institutions, and a man who possessed the courage of his opinions and was not afraid to set up to them."

WAR TELEGRAMS

(Continued from page 1.)

ARMED MERCHANTMEN.

GERMANY GIVES HER VIEWS IN MEMORANDUM.

February 10, 11.09 p.m.
Germany and Austria have notified neutrals of their intention to treat armed merchantmen as warships after March 1.

BELLIGERENTS—NOT PIRATES.

February 11, 4.00 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that Germany in a memorandum handed to neutral representatives at Berlin declares that though she considers the arming of merchantmen contrary to International Law she treats the crews as belligerents, not pirates. It asserts that there have been numerous cases of British merchantmen, by order of the Admiralty, attacking German warships, repeatedly using false colours, and therefore Germany treats neutrals against going on voyages in armed Allied merchantmen.

AMERICA'S SECRETARY OF WAR RESIGNS.

February 11, 2.35 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says Mr. Lindley M. Garrison, Secretary of War, has resigned, it is understood, because a large majority in Congress opposed his plan for a Continental Army.

ANOTHER RESIGNATION.

February 11, 4.35 a.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington adds that Mr. Breckenridge, Under Secretary of War, has resigned.

EXPORT RESTRICTIONS.

Ordinance Again Amended.

By a Proclamation issued by His Excellency the Governor, the Military Stores (Exportation) Ordinance is further amended as follows:—

(1) That the exportation of the following goods be prohibited to all destinations:—Magnesite, caustic or lightly calcined, and dead burnt magnesite; magnesian and its alloys.

(2) That the exportation of the following goods be prohibited to all destinations other than the United Kingdom and British Possessions and Protectorates:—Beeswax, pepper.

(3) That the following heading be included in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black Seas, other than France, Russia (except through Baltic ports), Italy, Spain and Portugal:—“All articles which are wholly or mainly manufactured of copper or its alloys and which are not at present prohibited to be exported to any destination.”

(4) That the exportation of the following articles be prohibited to all foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black Seas, other than France, Russia (except through Baltic ports), Italy, Spain and Portugal:—Silica bricks.

(5) That the following heading be added:—“Oleaginous nuts, seeds and products, namely:—Castor beans; coconuts; copra; cotton seed; ground nuts, earth nuts, or pea nuts (Arachides); hempseed; linseed; palm nuts and palm kernels; poppy seeds; rape or colza seed; sesame seed; soy beans; sunflower seed.” in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to all foreign countries in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black Seas, other than those of France, Russia (except through Baltic ports), Italy, Spain and Portugal be deleted.

(6) That the heading “Oleaginous nuts, seeds, kernels and products” in the list of goods the exportation of which is prohibited to Spain be deleted.

(7) That the following section be added:—

(E.) That the exportation of the following goods be prohibited to all foreign destinations other than France, Italy, and Russia (except through Baltic ports):—“All oleaginous nuts, seeds, kernels and products.”

Midwives.

The Government Gazette publishes the roll of midwives certified under the Midwives Ordinance. It contains 52 names, of whom all but three are Chinese, five being Government Midwives.

TELEGRAMS.

OBITUARY.

BRIGADIER GENERAL WESTMORELAND.

(Reuter's Service to The “Telegraph.”)
London, Received, February 12.
The death is announced of Brigadier General Charles Henry Westmoreland, C.B.
[The deceased, who was born in 1858, entered the Army in 1874. He was A. A. G. Hyderabad Contingent from 1903 to 1905, and commanded the Karachi Brigade from 1907 to 1910, retiring in 1912 with the honorary rank of Brigadier General. He saw service in the Afghan War of 1878, Barakah 1887, North-western Frontier 1897 and China 1900.]

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE TEXAS ARRIVES AT QUEENSTOWN.

London, Received, February 11.
The Swedish steamer Texas has arrived at Queenstown with a fire in her No. 3 hold.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Received, February 11.
The silver market is inactive. Supplies are most restricted and there are the smallest enquiries.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

(Extracts from the war news contained in the “Hongkong Telegraph” of February 12, 1915.)

Britain's Great Army.
The House of Commons has unanimously adopted the Army Estimates for 3,000,000 men.

A Warning.
The Note to Germany makes it clear that any attack on a vessel flying the American flag without its being definitely ascertained that the use of the flag is fictitious will be viewed as a grave matter and will result in serious complications.

U. S. Notes to Britain and Germany.

The United States Government has sent Notes to Britain and Germany. Both are friendly in tone. The former makes observations regarding the use of neutral flags, pointing out that frequent use might endanger neutral vessels.

British Seizes American Cargo.
The British authorities have seized the cargo of foodstuffs on the American steamer Wilhelm, which has arrived at Falmouth. The cargo was consigned to an American subject in Hamburg. The seizure is justified by the German Government's appropriation and distribution of foodstuffs, as the cargo would otherwise have been passed as destined to the civilian population.

The Ways of a Rebel.
The Pretoria News, which has announced that the Germans have shot the rebel leader Maritz for treachery, now adds that Maritz had asked officers of the Union force whether his life would be spared if he surrendered. He was told that no conditions could be granted. Maritz left on the understanding that, besides surrendering himself, he would try and bring in the German artillery. Maritz was leading the Germans at Kakamas when his treachery was discovered, and the German artillery was only extricated with the greatest difficulty after severe loss.

The British steamer Laertes from Java, when off the Dutch coast, not showing a flag, was challenged by German submarine U 2. When she was asked to heave to, she hoisted the Dutch flag so as to protect the neutral subjects and proceeded, steaming at 16 knots. She was hit by two shells, but escaped a torpedo and reached Yonkers by adroit manoeuvring and good stoking.

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TRAINING NOTES.

Good Gallops This Morning.

This morning was cool and dry, and, in consequence, was very well suited to the gallops, many of which took place at Happy Valley. There were a fair number of rail spectators. Each series of gallops makes it more difficult to discriminate between the ponies, or at least between a certain chosen few, for they are giving truly fine exhibitions, and it is hard to pick out a “fancy.”

Some of the times are as follows:—

Gallop, 1½ mile; 0.49.0, —, 1.49.0, — 2.54.0.

Daylight, 1½ mile; 0.40.0, —, 1.49.0, — 2.54.0.

Oregon, 1 mile; 0.36.3, 1.15.0, 1.54.0, 2.27.0.

Nipper, 1 mile; 0.41.2, 1.21.0, 1.56.0, 2.26.2.

Mascotte, 1½ mile; 0.36.0, 1.13.0, 1.49.0, 2.23.0, 2.56.0.

Romulus, 1½ mile; 0.38.0, —, 1.53.0, 2.30.2, 3.4.0.

White Eagle, 1 mile, last half; 0.35.0, 1.7.2.

Sandway, 1 mile, Timber joined last; 1 mile; 0.36.2, 1.13.0, 1.43.3, 2.15.3.

Scowfike, 1½ mile; 0.39.0, 1.14.0, 1.49.0, 2.23.0, 2.57.2, 3.31.2.

C 37, 1½ mile; 0.37.0, 1.12.0, 1.48.0, 2.22.2, 2.56.2.

King Charles, 1½ mile, King Hal joined last; 1 mile; 0.38.0, 1.10.2, 1.45.0, 2.17.4, 2.50.2.

Adventure, 1 mile; 0.36.0, 1.12.0, 1.45.0, 2.16.0.

Sandy, 1 mile; 0.38.1, 1.17.2, 1.51.1, 2.24.0.

Dick, 1 mile; 0.38.1, 1.17.2, 1.51.1, 2.24.0.

Merry Andrew, 1 mile last ¾; 0.38.3, 1.11.0, 1.44.0.

Indolent, 1 mile last ¾; 0.36.2, 1.11.0, 1.44.3.

Lazarus, 1 mile; last ¾; 0.35.0, 1.8.4, 1.41.4.

Harry Hawk, 1 mile; last ¾; 0.35.0, 1.8.4, 1.41.1.

Peace, 1 mile; 0.32.0, 1.7.0, 1.40.3, 2.13.2.

Starboardlight, 1 mile; last ¾; 0.32.0, 1.4.0.

Bayonet, 1 mile; 0.38.0, —, 2.41.4.

Greylock, 1 mile; 0.32.4, 1.5.2, 1.41.2.

Distant, 1 mile; 0.33.4, 1.5.2, 1.41.2.

Moonlight, 1½ mile; 0.40.0, 1.16.0, 1.53.0, 2.31.0, 3.0.4.

Garland, 1 mile; 0.35.0, 1.8.0, 1.40.0.

China Coaster, 1½ mile; 0.38.0, 1.14.0, 1.49.1, 2.24.0, 2.58.0.

Forester, 1½ mile; 0.38.0, 1.14.0, 1.49.1, 2.24.2, 2.58.0.

Gretna Green, 1 mile; 0.41.0, 1.12.2, 1.57.1, 2.29.0.

Triumphant Dahlia, 1 mile; 0.35.2, 1.12.0, 1.46.4, 2.16.0.

Askell, 1 mile; 0.37.0, 1.11.2, —, 2.17.1.

Sling, 1 mile; 0.37.0, 1.11.2, —, 2.17.1.

King Jack, 1 mile; 0.41.1, 1.21.1, —, 2.31.3.

Mathele, 1 mile; 0.37.0, 1.11.2, 1.44.1, 2.17.1.

Cornwall Chief, 1 mile; 2.13.2, 1.46.4, 2.17.1, 2.31.3.

Bluebird, 1 mile; 0.32.9, 1.15.5, 1.46.4, —, 2.17.1.

Gruby, 1½ mile; 0.38.1, 1.18.0, 1.54.2, 2.31.2, 3.17.2.

HARBOUR MOORINGS.

The New Government Scheme.

The following conditions have been made by the Governor-in-Council under Section 28 (1) of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, (Ordinance No. 10 of 1899):—

1. All Government buoys shall be painted Red with the words “Government Buoy” and the letters “A,” “B,” or “C” painted thereon in black.

2. “A” class buoys shall be for ships from 450 feet to 600 feet in length.

“B” class buoys shall be ships from 300 feet to 450 feet in length.

“C” class buoys shall be for ships of 300 feet or under.

3. The fees payable for the use of Government buoys shall be as follows:—

“A” class buoys \$8 per day or part of a day.

“B” class buoys \$6 per day or part of a day.

“C” class buoys \$4 per day or part of a day.

4. At the discretion of the Harbour Master such buoys may be let at a monthly rent at the rate of not less than that for 21 days, such letting to be subject to revocation at any time.

The tenant of any such buoy shall not sub-let the same and if any such buoy is at any time unoccupied the Harbour Master may assign such buoy to any other ship for temporary use.

Cutty Sark, 1½ mile; 0.38.1, 1.18.0, 1.54.2, 2.31.2, 3.17.2, 3.42.0.

Portlight, 1 mile; 0.38.0, 1.12.0, 1.55.4, 2.18.0.

Giant Dahlia, 1 mile; 0.35.0, 1.11.0, 1.45.0, 2.16.0.

In O.E., 1 mile; 0.35.0, 1.0.8, 1.42.0.

Mandoline, 1 mile; —, 1.11.0, 1.43.3, 2.18.0.

Electric Light, 1 mile; 0.38.2, 1.12.3, 1.42.0, 2.2.2.

Birdwood, 1 mile; 0.34.3, 1.6.2.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

CANTON MEDICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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SHANGHAI, Moji and Kobe.		Penang Maru Capt. Kishibiki T. 8,000	THURSDAY, 24th Feb.
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama.		Kaga Maru Capt. Tsuda T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 15th Feb.
NAGASAKI, Kobe and Yokohama.		Nikko Maru Capt. Takeda T. 9,500	MON. 9th Mar. at 19 a.m.
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Norwegian War Losses.

A Christiania message gives the total losses caused by the war to the Norwegian merchant fleet up to December 27 as 188,008 tons, equivalent in value to about £2,600,000.

The Wada Maru.

The s.s. Wada Maru 4,400 tons d. w., which, says the *Manchuria Daily News* was sold last November for Y. 270,000, has been resold for Y. 560,000. She was originally imported into Dairen a few years ago at the price of only Y. 80,000.

Japanese Ship Building.

The number of Japanese vessels to be constructed by the end of 1918 at various Japanese ship-building yards is put at 101 with an aggregate gross tonnage of about 440,000, of which seventeen vessels of 73,045 tons belong to steamship companies having their head or branch offices at Dairen.

Congestion at London Dock.

Attention has been drawn by Mr. S. Samuel, M. P., to the congestion prevailing in British ports, and mentions that the case of the *Clan Macdysan*, from the Persian Gulf, which was six days in London before she could obtain a berth to discharge. Inquiries show that several causes have contributed to congestion in the Port of London. Among them are bad weather and dislocation of the sailing arrangements of several large steamship lines; but the worst congestion arises from the recent heavy shipments of oats for the Government. There are at present 13 grain ships, the bulk of whose cargoes are for the Government, waiting at Gravesend for berthing accommodation. The remedy, Mr. Samuel indicates, is in the hands of the Government. By regulating the rate of shipments so as to spread arrivals over a reasonable period, instead of chartering and loading vessels indiscriminately at the various foreign ports, the Government could, it is contended, do much to prevent the evil. Similar trouble, it may be mentioned, was caused at various times during the past year by wholesale arrival of Government cargoes of sugar, wool, and timber.—*London and China Express*.

Oil-Burning Liners.

A writer in a London contemporary says:—There is now, I understand, every prospect of big developments in connection with the use of oil as fuel on merchant steamers. An arrangement has just been concluded by a number of important British shipping interests, including the Cunard, White Star, Atlantic Transport, Dominion and Leyland lines, with the Mexican Petroleum Company, whereby the latter has undertaken to supply all the oil which the former may require during the next twenty-five years. In August last contracts were placed on the Clyde, Tyne, and Tees for the construction of no fewer than thirty oil tankers, but owing to naval requirements several of the boats are now being built in the United States. Quite recently, however, the Admiralty gave permission to the British contractors to proceed with the work, and the vessels in question represent, in the case of some yards, the only type of merchant ship with which progress is being made. It was intended to convert the International Mercantile Marine Company's 12,000 ton liners, *Finland* and *Kronland*, into oil-burners this month, but the alteration has been postponed, as the former vessel is at present employed under the American flag on profitable service between London and New York, while the latter is lying at the Pacific terminus of the Panama Canal waiting for the reopening of the waterway.

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LOG BOOK.

Ships Caught in Ice in White Sea.
 Berlin, December 22.—Reports from Copenhagen say that more than 100 ships, chiefly American, British and French, have been caught in the ice in the White Sea, and will have to spend the winter there.

New Japanese Dock.

The opening of a new dock built at the naval port of Yokohama took place on January 26. The dock, which is the fifth at Yokohama, is said to be larger than any dock at Matsuyama or Sasebo and the largest in the Far East, says the *Japan Chronicle*. It is 755 ft. in length, 122 ft. in width, and 42 ft. in depth, and the cost of construction, when completed, will amount to ¥2,050,000. Work was begun in July, 1913, and the equipment will be fully completed by March, 1917. The dock will be able to accommodate any of the ships in the Japanese Navy.

American Shipyards Booked Up for Two Years.

Leading shipyards throughout the United States have orders sufficient to keep them working at a capacity of from one to two years, and if the demand for more tonnage requires it, the output can be increased from 15 to 60 per cent. within the year, according to a census made by the Chamber of Commerce of New York. Some of the shipbuilders, although against expansion of their yards, said that the output from the present yards could be considerably increased over the normal by the process of doubling up on the work. Shipbuilding is particularly active along the Atlantic Coast where there have been heavy bookings of orders in the past few months. Many of these yards build only merchant bottoms, but others divide their work between private and Government contracts. One concern which had but one merchant ship on the ways July 1 is now at work upon sixteen vessels. An officer of this company said that the tonnage of ocean-going merchant vessels being built in this country for American registry has increased 1,000 per cent. in the past six months.

South African Coal.

The coal industry is steadily becoming of greater importance in South Africa. The total production of coal in 1914 amounted approximately to 8,478,000 tons, while the total export was about 1,343,000 tons as bunker coal, and 651,000 tons as cargo coal. Out of the total export of 1,994,000 tons, that exported from Natal amounted to 1,370,000 tons; the unexported balance (about 6,484,000 tons) was used by railways, mines, and industrial works, for domestic purposes, or for stock at the place of production. What decreases there were in the production of individual mines within the Union occurred in the last four months of the year directly in consequence of circumstances created by the war. Working costs have increased in recent years, due to rises in rates of wages, higher railway charges and to increased prices of supplies. In the Transvaal there were, at the commencement of the year 1914, 23 coal companies producing, of which four are in the Springs-Brakpan area, 14 in the Middleburg area, and five in other districts; these companies have a total issued capital of £3,558,100, on which dividends amounting to £285,200 were paid in 1913. In the Cape there were, at the same time, two companies whose issued capital was £253,400, paying no dividend; and two in the Orange Free State (issued capital, £1,022,800), whose dividends amounted to a total of less than £5,000. The expansion of the bunkering trade at Union ports is of itself a sign of steady progress, and the importance of the Union as a place of call for bunkering purposes alone by ocean-going steamers is steadily increasing. There is no doubt that shortage of available railway trucks prevented the bunkering trade being as great as it otherwise might have been. In fact the railways can hardly keep pace with the demand for trucks, and, on occasions in the middle of the year, business had for this reason to be refused by coal companies.

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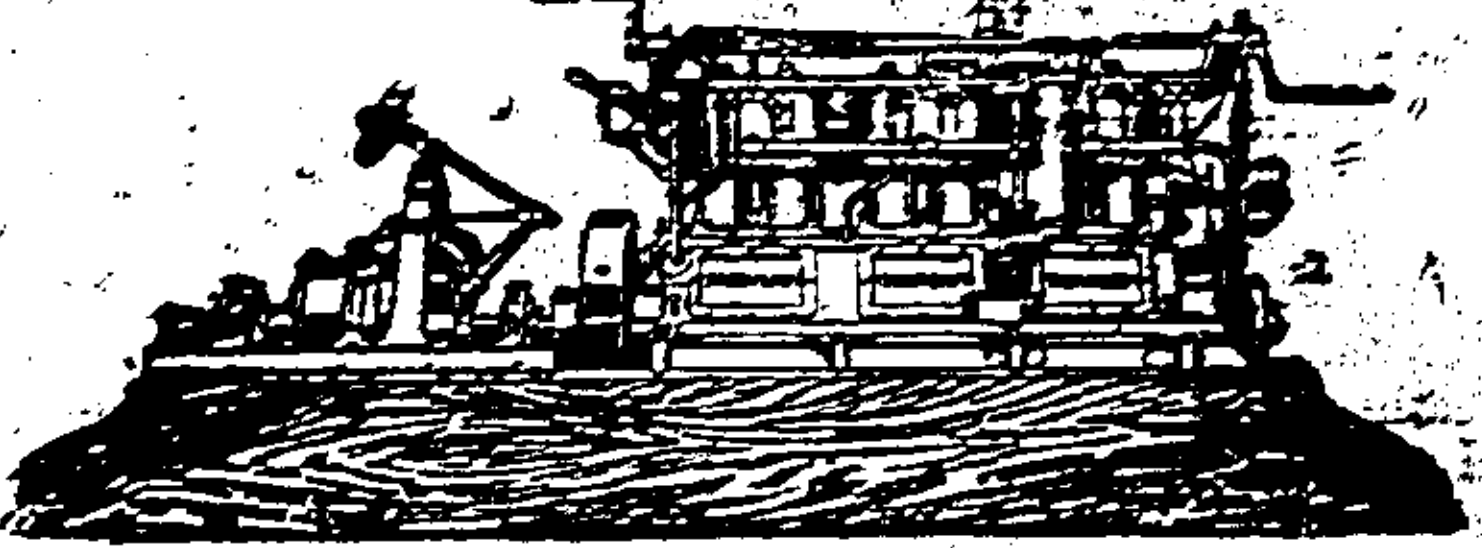
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POKER STORIES: 2.

THE GENTLE ART OF BLUFFING.

The following is the second of a series of poker stories called from an American newspaper—

The talk in the mess, having run through campaign tales and women, tales had turned to card tales. The senior major leaned toward the fire and knocked the ashes from his pipe against the andiron.

"The queerest bit of poker I ever saw," he said, "was played by a woman. She was the wife of little Bill Stuyvesant. You remember Bill Stuyvesant—Colonel in the Third—graduated in '89?"

The Colonel nodded.

"He was with Reno at the Custer business," he answered. "I met him the next week. He resigned afterward and went into business."

"That's the one. Bill was mighty well connected in New York, but he didn't have much cash. If it hadn't been for his poker playing he never could have kept the pace he did."

"He lived better than any other officer in the regiment. He put up one of the neatest games I've had the bad luck to mix up with—cold blooded and steady, but with enough warmth in it to rush his winnings to a frazzle when the time came."

"Well, one day old Bill went off and got married all of a sudden to the finest, most blushing, prim little sprig of a country girl you ever saw. I heard his family raised the devil; but it didn't matter. Bill and the wee one settled down on the post, and were as happy as if she were a Van Something or Other, or he were a Farmer Jones."

"Bill, though, never let up a hole on poker, but he was honest about it with his wife. The game usually ran in his house, and she sat and watched until bed-time. At first she worried a good deal, I think."

"It made everybody feel awkward, too, to have her about. But after a while she perked up and we got to missing her if she wasn't sitting there by the fire, sewing or reading, or else leaning over Bill's shoulder watching his cards and asking fool questions."

"About a year after they were married Bill and she went on leave East. The family wanted to patch up."

"Finds Mr. and Mrs. Bill. I started for New York a little later myself, and soon after I hit that small town a chap named Brookman asked me up the Hudson to a house party. When I arrived, who the deuce should I find there but Bill Stuyvesant and his frau."

"She was pretty as ever, but just as shy and timid. She didn't seem to be having a very thrilling time in society. I felt right sorry for the little thing."

"She and Bill had just arrived, and at dinner I noticed the petting looks that were handed to them both. The poor child blushed and sat dumb. Bill looked mad and drank too much champagne."

"Along about the third somehow the talk turned on cards. There was a couple of hard-faced matrons there that I sized up as human sharks from the start. They led the pack in the card movement and they never dropped the scent until they had it fixed that the ten of us should make two tables of poker after dinner."

"Mrs. Stuyvesant tried to beg off because she couldn't play, but the human sharks insisted on teaching her, and made so many mean little pokes at her country breeding and Bill's poverty that

at last Bill settled the business himself. So after the cigars I found myself at a table with Bill and Mrs. Bill and the two instructors.

"The lesson was short enough. The professors wrote out a list of hands for Mrs. Stuyvesant to use, told her the rules, and answered the few pitiful questions she asked. I was mad clean through. Bill was boiling."

"This is a damned outrage," he whispered. "Help her if you can." "It was a no-limit affair—a very swift one, too. I was too busy myself to think more of Mrs. S., but I saw that she was terribly conservative, afraid of her life, and just dribbling away her chips in antes and jack pots."

"Once or twice she threw sure winning hands face up on the table—afraid to bet them. The human sharks were giggling and gobbling up chips. Bill was losing. I was about even."

"Then somebody started a jack—\$10 around. It was sweetened a \$1 a clip for five deals running. That put \$75 in it."

"Then one of the sharks opened it for the size on Mrs. Stuyvesant's deal. The other shark stayed. I dropped. So did Bill."

"I looked at Mrs. S. She was very much excited. Her eyes were snapping, and she was examining her list of hands intensely."

"Oh, she cried, 'I wish I knew! I wish I knew! Can't I ask Bill?'"

"No," snapped Shark Number One.

"Oh," cried Mrs. S., "then I—yes; I must!" and she shoved out \$150 worth of chips."

"Bill turned white. I shook in my boots. Shark Number One hesitated and scowled. Then she pushed out her \$75. Number Two dropped, with a nasty little word. Number One drew two cards. Mrs. Bill put down the pack."

"How many does the dealer take?" cracked Number one.

"I? Oh, I don't want any," answered Mrs. Bill.

"Bill sighed contentedly. The Shark bet \$1. The pot now contained 376 simoleons."

"Dear me!" cried Mrs. Bill. "I want to bet lots. Bill, lend me some!" and she shoved \$400 out on the table, and settled back with the pinkest, most imploring expression, mutely begging the shark to come on."

"That lady looked at her cards and frowned."

"Not this time," she snorted. "If you want people to bet when you have anything you must learn to bet sometimes when you have less than a straight flush. Take two pots. Three kings openers."

"Oh! oh!" cried Mrs. Stuyvesant, "and I was what you call blinding, too!" and she threw down the four, seven and nine of clubs, the queen of hearts and the ace of spades. "I thought you'd be fooled," she went on naively, "because I'd been so careful before."

"Bill confessed to me that he nearly died of heart disease right on the spot. I was too happy to notice. I was watching the human sharks."

"How did you do it? I whispered admiringly when the play had started again."

"Mrs. Bill smiled in her bewitching way."

"Oh! she answered softly, 'I haven't been studying Bill all these months for nothing.'"

"The game grew faster. Mrs. Stuyvesant became a little bolder. She won on the whole, holding the lead that that jack had given

her. I still kept even. The sharks won. Bill lost."

"At last the night was over. The dawn paled the yellow lamp-light and gave a sickly colour to our faces as we sat about the table. Bill was over \$2000 behind when they started a bunch of \$20 jacks to close the game."

"The first two slid off evenly enough into the maws of the hard faced matrons. Then came a brute to open."

"We sweetened it until it had a hundred and fifty in it. Mrs. Stuyvesant cracked it under the guns for the size. Bill stayed. So did Shark Number One. Then Number Two boosted it two hundred."

"I dropped and threw my cards on the table Mrs. Stuyvesant stayed. Bill dropped. The other shark hesitated and then shoved in her little stack. That made the neat total of \$1350."

"Mrs. Stuyvesant drew two cards. So did Number one and her running mate."

"I watched the latter lady closely. After skinning back her draw she moved her elbow toward a little stand by her side, and with elegant carelessness swept off on the floor a high ball that had just been brought her."

"At the crash of the glass we all jumped by instinct. As I did so I knocked over a pile of my chips, and that drew my eyes to the cloth before me instead of to the floor, where every one else was looking."

Deft Finger Work.

"It was owing to this fact that I saw a jeweled finger rest quickly on the table and slide one of the discarded cards deftly under a lace handkerchief. In an instant more the bit of pasteboard was slipped into the hand of Shark Number Two."

"My first instinct was to speak. I learned forward, but a quick, nervous little hand caught my arm. I looked down. It was Mrs. Stuyvesant."

"Please be still," she whispered. "What did she mean? Surely she had not seen what I saw. I took out a card, and scribbled on it as carelessly as I could. 'She stole from the discard.' Then I slipped it in front of Mrs. Bill. She nodded, and, borrowing my pencil, wrote, 'I know. It was my ten of hearts.'"

"I crumpled the card in my pocket. What was this innocent up to, anyhow?"

"She bet two hundred. Shark Number One called. Number Two saw, and rapidly counted out a pile of yellow chips."

"I raise you five hundred," she said coldly."

"Mrs. Stuyvesant hesitated an instant."

"I see that," she answered, "with a queer look in her eyes, 'and I go you one thousand better. I am shy that thousand.'"

"Bill gasped like a drowning man. I felt as if I were going under fire again for the first time. Number One threw down her cards. Number Two laughed a hard little laugh. She pushed \$2000 worth of chips before her."

"And a thousand," she said.

"And two thousand," came with a little tremble of desperation from Mrs. Bill."

"We were all leaning forward, quivering with eagerness. Bill was the color of death. The other table had broken up, and the players pressed over our shoulders."

"Number Two drew back her lips until her teeth showed like an angry cat."

"I call," she said. "I have four tens."

"She threw down her cards and reached for the chips. Bill sank back in his chair like a sick old man."

"Not good," cut in Mrs. Stuyvesant sharply, and she threw on the table four queens."

"Remarkable, eh? Yes. But the queerest thing in—I had my self discarded the queen of clubs!"

CITIZEN POLICE RESERVES.

Some American Views.

The necessity for reserves to back up the first-line forces is impressing city officials and police authorities as well as those responsible for the safety of the nation, says the *New York Literary Digest*. New York and Chicago are taking the lead in organizing police "Landstürme." To aid in the campaign for a "cleaner, safer, and better Chicago," as the papers of the Midwestern metropolis put it, there is being organized, after a meeting of police, captains and business men, a citizen police force of some 20,000 members. They will be chosen by the Mayor from a host of applicants, and one person in each city block will receive a card authorizing him to co-operate with the police and health departments in eliminating vices and enforcing sanitary regulations. If every such officer does his duty, says the *St. Louis Republic*, not over-enthusiastically, "one may see many benefits in the plan. Faithful service would result in the collection of innumerable dead cats and dogs, weeds would be kept mowed, and bibulous persons asleep in alleys would be gathered up and removed. Since Chicago's Sunday law has been riveted down, these citizen police might also be useful reporters of undue activity around the back doors of saloons, and they might also exercise a restraining influence over all sorts of juvenile delinquency, but all of this assumes that the citizen policeman would take his office seriously. Chicago is about to try the plan and will have an answer to this doubt available for the information of the rest of the country in time. As to the usefulness of a citizen police against the more dangerous forms of crime, we have a still greater doubt. Every man is already authorized by law and required by duty to prevent felonies and apprehend felons if he can, and citizens with a militant hatred of wrong-doing frequently exercise that right. Will making certain citizens quasi-police-men change their attitude on this matter materially?"

Once identified by his neighbors, the representative in a block "will be as popular as a German in London," the *Pittsburg Dispatch* observes. "In about six months at furthest he will have the choice of leaving the block or quitting the force, if he can stick it out that long. But it is a fine idea on paper. It looks almost as easy as creating an army of a million men overnight, until it is tried."

But "Chicago's municipal authorities, its uniformed police, and the citizens generally have given their enthusiastic approval to the volunteer-police idea." And, observes the *New York Globe*, "New York most probably would do likewise."

At any rate, New York is to have a police "Landsturm" of a different nature. Police-Commissioner Woods is enlisting, we read in the *New York Sun*, "a special police-reserve corps" of citizens whose willing time of great disaster to help keep order and avert panic. He plans to raise a special force of 20,000 or 25,000 men in this way and later to add about 20,000 more reservists by enrolling the employees of the various city departments. These will give him, when his plan is completed, a reserve corps of about 45,000 special officers, which he believes would be necessary in the event of such a disaster as the San Francisco fire or the Mississippi flood."

The reservists are to be picked from every walk in life—doctors, lawyers, merchants, clerks, and labourers—and are to be trained in

the use of firearms and the principles of mob-discipline, first aid, and the other things which policemen are supposed to have at their finger-tips. . . . Commissioner Woods does not like the idea of militia or United States troops being called to the city's aid if a disaster should occur, and at the same time hints that the special reserve corps would be of assistance in the event of attack by a hostile country. The reservists are to be taught how to equip and handle a commissary department which would be able to food great numbers of people. In the general scheme of preparedness sites for refugee-camps are to be selected, arrangements are to be made to construct automobiles for the quick transportation of people, and the entire police force, with the reserves, is to be built into an emergency machine which will be able to look after the city's population and look after it promptly in the event of any conceivable catastrophe. The members of the reserve corps will not in ordinary time have the power or right to act as other than everyday civilians, to make arrests or carry weapons, but when they are needed, if ever, will be sworn in as special patrolmen."

New York, it should be said, has a body of volunteer juvenile police who have accomplished much on the East Side. And among the applicants for enrolment in Chicago's corps of "Civic Cooperators," as the *Chicago Herald* notes, are many women and young people. The *Herald* believes they will prove efficient recruits; for, after all, "this movement for a cleaner, safer, and better Chicago is essentially a movement for a better house-keeping and house-keeping. And who so well fitted to look after house-keeping as house-keepers and the young people about whose doings and enterprises their mothers take just about ten thoughts every day while their fathers are taking ones?"

GERMANY MORE SOBER.

Bitter Feeling Against the United States.

A. L. Kroeber, writing in the *New York Evening Post*, says:—Holland is full of anecdotes illustrating the fanatical, unreasoning, non-human temper of Germany at war. I was told on good authority, and at first hand as such stories go, of a Berlin woman who telephoned her friends to come to the house in the evening: her son had just fallen in a hero's death for the fatherland, and they were going to toast the event in champagne."

I was inclined to believe the story. After having been in Germany I am ready to concede that such an event might have happened in the early months of the war, though I should doubt whether it could have been frequent even then."

I know that it would not happen now, except on the part of the sporadic pathological neurotic that crops up in every country even in time of peace. The German father or wife to-day meets the shock of the death of son or husband at the front with exactly the same sensations, and with exactly the same reactions to the emotion, as would an American or an Englishman."

This is not hearsay. I speak from knowledge which is not hard to obtain, with fifteen hundred deaths coming in day after day. I admit it may have been different at first. But the Germany of the autumn of 1915 is a very different thing from the Germany of the autumn of 1914; and this change of spirit—Germans themselves confess to it—has been the result of a year of unrelenting slaughter. To begin with, and to prevent misconception, it must be said emphatically that the change is not one of loss of confidence. In England I lately encountered two or three clear-headed persons who thought a draw was the best

Britain could look forward to. In Germany every soul I met was absolutely confident that Germany would triumph. Broadly, and in view of the Central advances in the past six months, it may be said that sentiment as to the outcome is exactly parallel in the two countries. The only difference is that the average Englishman expects to win next year, and the German believes he has won now."

An Infinitely Soberer Germany. But, with unabated confidence, it is an infinitely soberer Germany than it must have been at the outset. The unconquering patriotism remains; but the exultation has gone out of it. Even the hate has gone. After ten days in Berlin it occurred to me that I had not heard "Gott strafe England," nor seen it on paper. I asked my friends about it. Most of them laughed unseeably. Yes, that had been, but it wasn't any longer. Perhaps the naval officers among whom it started still used the greeting. Every one else had stopped long ago."

The only time the phrase came into my experience was on a railroad station at Vienna, where a solitary, bedraggled placard with "Gott strafe Italien" remained on the wall. The Viennese, who, whatever their faults, are not given to deceiving themselves, laughed openly at the characteristically lagging Austrian imitation of the Prussian sentiment. And that in spite of the fact that if there is one thing in the war in regard to which the Austrian shows real feeling it is Italy."

And the Hymn of Hate is dead. One hears it in England—in parody; but not in Germany, in other seriousness or jest. Instead, they are discussing whether the sentiment it expresses is a wise one to have. One man, as cultured a gentleman as there is in the land, had never heard the verse. His wife got out her scrap-book and read it. It rings even better in the original than in the translation, of course; and I maintained that worthy or unworthy as its springs might be, it was genuine white-hot poetry that would last. The family was divided in opinion. They have even got to criticizing Lissauer for writing his hymn. He defends himself by admitting that he would not write it now, but insists that at the time it felt a deep national feeling. He is very likely right; and we can let the defence go at that. But they are not singing the hymn to-day."

Bitterness Toward America. In fact, there is far more bitterness against America than towards England. Friends, chance acquaintances, strange fellow-travellers, it was always the same. They were careful to make it clear that they were trying not to be personally offensive; but the way they flashed up at the word America left no doubt that the resentment sprang from a deep and sensitive source. I am certain that one can count on the fingers of his hands the Germans in all Germany who are not convinced that our country has played them unfair. That may only prove Germany blind and wrong: it is a delicate subject, and I am not judging any people; I am only stating facts. Perhaps the feeling will die down, too."

Let Americans do what they consider to be to their own interest, seemed to be the German attitude, "but let them not pretend to be neutral about it." The explanation that the great majority of the American people were not neutral in sentiment seemed to strike most Germans as a ray of illumination. "Oh, well, of course, in that case, it is different," and somehow something in their seemed content. That may also seem illogical; but again it is German. I doubt whether any German could adequately explain to any American the mental process involved; but I am sure that practically every German would

You can talk all the English you want in Berlin with impunity. I have heard it frequently and done it repeatedly, on the subway, on trains, in restaurants, on the street, in the Tiergarten. I have had some occasional looks of curiosity; but never a word. I have had no occasion; yet I should feel deep hesitation in speaking German in a street of London."

They have no hymn of hate in England. That is not the English way. But they have something in their hearts that is appealing in its quietness, like being face to face with an elemental force I should not want any man to feel towards me, or any nation to feel against my people, as England feels towards Germany."

GERMANY'S DWINDLING FLEET.

43 Per Cent. of Modern Cruisers now Lost.

The destruction, recently announced from Berlin, of the German cruiser Bremen, together with a destroyer or torpedo-boat, in the Baltic, is further evidence that the coming of winter is not going to put an end to the activities of British and Russian submarines in those waters. In all probability the enemy warships were actually engaged on an anti-submarine patrol when they were sunk, for Lieutenant-Commander Francis Cromie, who sank the *Udine* on November 7, has stated that that vessel was accompanied by two destroyers on the route taken by the train ferries."

Germany's losses in the Baltic have been exceptionally heavy, speaking comparatively. Omitting torpedo-craft, of which at least a dozen have been reported sunk at one time or another, the following vessels have been sent to the bottom or destroyed in these waters:—

Battleship: Pommern, by a British submarine on July 2.

Armoured Cruisers: Friedrich Karl, mined and sunk, November, 1914.

Prinz Adalbert, by a British submarine, on October 23, 1915.

Light Cruisers: Magdeburg, by a Russian squadron, August 27, 1914.

Undine, by a British submarine, November 7, 1915.

Brance, by a submarine, 2 data.

In addition to the above, the mine-laying cruiser *Albatross* was driven ashore and destroyed by Russian squadron on July 2; the battle cruiser *Moltke* and the light cruiser *Gazelle* have been severely damaged in submarine attack; and two other cruisers, said to be the *Angeltor* and *Thetis*, were claimed by the Russians to have been sunk in the futile attempt to secure the control of the Gulf of Riga in August. The only losses sustained by the Allies in the Baltic are the armoured cruiser *Pallada*, the mine-layer *Yemsel*, and the gunboat *Sivoutch* (all Russian), and the British submarine *E 13*.

Germany began the war with 25 modern light cruisers, of which, committing all doubtful cases, ten—or 42.5 per cent.—have now been taken or destroyed. Besides these, five older vessels of this type have been accounted for—the *Undine*, *Arcturion*, and *Hela*, sunk in home waters; the *Cormoran*, destroyed at Tsing-Tao, and the *Geier*, interned at Guam. Of the total of 14 vessels destroyed, including the *Kinden* (captured), ten have fallen to the British Navy and one to the Russian, while the *Cormoran* was scuttled, the *Karlshof* accidentally lost, and the *Bremen* sunk by a vessel not yet identified.

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Conditions: (a) 3 two-minute rounds. If undecided an extra round of one minute.
(b) In 3 weights: 118 lbs., 132 lbs. and 146 lbs.
(c) Competitors weigh in at V.R.C. on night of February 24th.
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1890

NOTICE.

THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON
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CO., LTD.

Hongkong Branch.

During the temporary absence

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Company's affairs will be attended

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1916.

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NOTICES.

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Any European, Non-Asiatic or Indian desiring to leave the Colony should apply in writing for permission to do so to the Captain Superintendent of Police, at least 48 hours before the intended hour of departure, giving name, nationality, age, sex, height and occupation of the applicant, and stating the name of the steamer or other vessel or the hour of the train by which the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants should apply in person for their passes at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.
Hongkong 9th July, 1915.

NOTICE

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 19th day of February, 1916, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1915.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 7th February, to SATURDAY, the 19th February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

N. J. STABB,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1916

HONGKONG CANTON AND
MACAO STEAMBOAT CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 15th February, 1916, 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to 15th February, 1916, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. E. CLARKE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1916.

UNION WATERBOAT CO.
LIMITED.

NOTICE

TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Eleventh Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited, on Monday the 14th February 1916 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December, 1915.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to 14th February both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1916.

NOTICE

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.

The Flower and Vegetable Show will be held on the 3rd and 4th March, in the Botanic Gardens.

Intending Exhibitors should send their entry forms to the Hon. Secretary not later than 24th February.

Copies of Rules and Schedules may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

A. NICOL,
Quarry Bay,
Hongkong, 9th February, 1916.

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ORDINARY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in this Com-
pany will be held at the COM-
PANY'S OFFICES, VICTORIA
BUILDINGS on FRIDAY 18th
FEBRUARY, 1916 at noon, for
the purpose of receiving the
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
together with Statement of
ACCOUNTS for the year ending
31st December, 1915. The RE-
GISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be closed from
FRIDAY 11th to FRIDAY 18th
February, 1916 (both days in-
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TRANSFER OF SHARES can be
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MOWBRAY S. NORTH-COTE,
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T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1916.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT
LOAN & MORTGAGE
CO., LTD.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6 Connaught Road, on FRIDAY, the 25th February, 1916 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1915, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 21st February, 1916 until FRIDAY the 25th February, 1916, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1916.

CONSIGNEES

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From MIDDLE-BRO.

LONDON & STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"BENALDOR."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before the 22nd inst. or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
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signature, and to take delivery
of their cargo from the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Co.'s godown where the cargo is
being landed.

Cargo remaining undelivered
after the 14th inst. will be subject
to landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever
will be effected.

All chafed or otherwise damaged
cargo will be examined on
Monday, 14th inst., at 10 a.m.

No claims will be recognised if
filed after 24th Feb. 1916.

O. H. RITTER,
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Hongkong, Feb. 8th, 1916.

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goods are to be left in the
godowns, where they will be ex-
amined on WEDNESDAY 16th
instant at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented
within fifteen days of the
steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be recog-
nized.

No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the
Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 16th
inst. will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby
notified that they must produce
an Import permit signed by the
Superintendent of Imports, and
Exports, Hongkong, before Bills
of Lading can be counter-signed.

No Fire Insurance has been
effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1916.

NOTICE.

NOTICE

The Offices of Chinese Mar-
itime Customs for Kowloon and
District will be closed to public
business on SATURDAY, the
12th current.

E. GORDON LOWDER,
Commissioner of Chinese
Customs.York Buildings,
Hongkong, 10th February, 1916.

NOTICE

I have this day commenced
business as Merchant and Com-
mission Agent under the firm
name of FRANK SMITH & CO.,
at No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong.

F. H. SMITH.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1916.

CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

From SAN FRANCISCO, via
HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS
and MANILA.

S.S. "TENYO MARU."

The above named Steamer hav-
ing arrived, Consignees of cargo
are hereby notified to send in
their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and to take immediate
delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered
on 10th February at 5 p.m. will
be landed at Consignees' risk and
expense, and delivery must then
be taken from the Company's Go-
down. Storage charges will be as-
sessed on all Goods remaining un-
delivered on 16th February at
noon.

No Fire Insurance whatever
will be effected.

No Claim will be recognised
after the Goods have left the
Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo
will be landed into the Godown,
where they will be examined on
16th February at 10 a.m.

No Claim will be recognised
if filed after the 23rd February,
1916.

K. DOI,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1916.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL-
WAY COMPANY'SROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP
LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "MONTEAGLE"

The above mentioned steamer
having arrived from Vancouver,
Victoria and Japan Ports, Consig-
nees of cargo are hereby notified
that their goods, with the
exception of Parcels, Treasure
and Valuables are being landed
and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf &
Godown Co.'s Kowloon Godowns,
where delivery can be obtained.

Goods on hand after the 17th
February 1916 will be subject to
rent.

No fire insurance will be
effected.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.



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THE BEST SUBSTITUTE FOR
MOTHER'S MILK IS
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NOTICE

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Orders may be left with the above for any of our products. We put up absolutely the Best Tins and Dinners—a new Menu for Each Meal. Price one Dollar Each, or 30 Meals for \$30.00, good for any meal or à la Carte up to 75 Cents.

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THE RAILWAY PASSENGERS ASSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER 1914 £55,970,567

1—Authorized Capital—£5,000,000 Subscribed Capital—£5,000,000

2—Paid-up Capital—£2,437,570

3—Life and Annuity Funds—£1,367,047

4—Life and Annuity Funds—£1,367,047

5—Sinking Fund Account—£12,250

6—Revenues Fire Branch—£2,387,556

7—Life and Annuity Branches—£2,147,533

8—Marine Department—£37,259

9—Other Receipts—£78,940

10—The Accumulative Funds of the various Branches are separately invested and by Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet the claims under the respective Departments of the Company's business.

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The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. AGENTS.

POST OFFICE

A Mail from London via Suez for Hongkong despatched on the 10th Dec. 1915, containing 12 1/2 bags containing 1200 registered letters and 1000 registered parcels, printed matter and 1000 registered parcels, was lost in the sinking of the S.S. Paria.

Correspondence addressed to, except subjects in China, Siam, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Agular Radio Telegraph Station—

To go Mar: Sardinia, Mergana.

MAILS DUE

Service (London 12th Jan. via Suez) Mergana, 12th Feb. Shanghai, Shanghai, 12th Feb. Shanghai, Shanghai, 12th Feb.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY

Philippine Is.—Per LOONGSANG, 12th Feb. 2 p.m. Straits & India via Calcutta—Per NAM-SANG, 12th Feb. 2 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Shanghai, & N. China—Per KIUKIANG, 12th Feb. 3 p.m. Saigon—Per HAITANG, 12th Feb. 3 p.m.

Formosa via Takao—Per HEIYO M., 12th Feb. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW

Shanghai & N. China—Per LUCHOW, 12th Feb. 9 a.m. Swatow, Amoy, & Formosa via Tamsui—Per DALI M., 12th Feb. 9 a.m.

Saigon—Per TELEMACUS, 12th Feb. 9 a.m. St. Pauls—Per CHEUNG M., 12th Feb. 9 a.m.

Hongkong—Per DERWENT, 12th Feb. 9 a.m. Batavia, Sam. rang, Sourabaya Port M. reby (via Batavia)—Per TITMANOS, 12th Feb. 1 p.m.

MONDAY, 14th Feb.

Bangkok—Per QUARTA, 14th Feb. 10 a.m. Formosa via Tamsui—Per HIRONIMA M., 14th Feb. 10 a.m.

Straits, Mauritius, Delagoa Bay, Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth, West Bay, Cape Town, Par. SALAMIA, 14th Feb. 10 a.m.

Japan via Nagasaki & San Francisco—Per TUISONDAI, 14th Feb. 10 a.m.

Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, North & South America, Canada via S. Francisco, United Kingdom via Canada—Per CHINA, 14th Feb. noon.

Macassar, Sourabaya, Samarang, B. via & Port Moreby via Batavia—Per THIKINI, 14th Feb. 2 p.m.

Batavia, Cherbon, Samarang, Samarang, Macassar, Balikpapan, & Port Moreby via Batavia—Per BORNEO M., 14th Feb. 3 p.m.

Straits, Borneo, & India via Calcutta—Per JINSEY M., 14th Feb. 3 p.m.

Swatow, Shanghai, & North China—Per CHOYANG, 14th Feb. 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 15th Feb.

Straits, Ceylon, Port Said, Marseilles & London—Per MONGARA, 15th Feb. 9 a.m.

Haiphong—Per SUNGLANG, 15th Feb. 9 a.m.

Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, N. & S. America, & Canada via San Francisco and United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per TENIO MARU, 15th Feb. 11 a.m.

[Shanghai Br. P. O. Saturday 19th Feb.] Swatow, Amoy & Fookow—Per HAI-CHING, 15th Feb. 1 p.m.

Philippine Is.—Per TAMING, 15th Feb. 3 p.m.

Australia, New Zealand, via Thursday Island—Per AKI MARU, 15th Feb. 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per YINGGOW, 15th Feb. 3 p.m.

(Shanghai Br. P. O. Saturday 19th Feb.) Shanghai & N. China—Per WOSANG, 15th Feb. 5 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

From 7th to 13th Feb. 1916.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Spring Tides	Neap Tides
Mon. 7	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Tues. 8	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Wed. 9	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Thurs. 10	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Fri. 11	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Sat. 12	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15
Sun. 13	10.15	4.15	10.15	4.15

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Fooshing, Br. sa. 1423, Jas. H. Hay, 12th Feb.—Calcutta and Singapore, 12th Feb. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Nango Maru, Jap. sa. 1915, T. Takasaka, 12th Feb.—Mop. 5th Feb. Coal—Order.

Soshu Maru, Jap. sa. 1906, A. Kobayashi, 12th Feb.—Swatow 10th Feb. Gen.—O.S.K.

DEPARTED

Feb. 11. Kashing for Saigon.

Lochow for London via Singapore.

Shanghai for Saigon.

Yan Spitzbergen for Hongkong.

Changtu for Java, Swatow and Singapore.

Standard for Saigon.

Tango Maru for Yokohama via Nankai.

Shinkansen Maru for Bombay via Suez.

Shinkansen Maru for Yokohama via Nagasaki.

Tanaka for Shanghai.

Yanaka for Hongkong and Shanghai.

Upoko for Chong. via Wei-hai-wei.

Manning for Saigon.

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WEATHER REPORT.

The Weather Report and Forecast for tomorrow will be found on a Second Extra.

On the 11th at 10.40—The anticyclone is nearly stationary, but has weakened. The barometer depression is still shown to the north-east of Hokkaido.

A depression appears to have formed over Manchuria.

Pressure is nearly stationary in southern districts.

The monsoon will be interrupted to the north of Fookow and will moderate over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day 0.10 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock. N.E. winds, moderate, fair.

2 Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, fresh to moderate, fair.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lanchow. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. 11th February, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

Wootock 6a 30.32 NW 2

Namro 5a 30.32 NW 2

Hakodate 3a 30.32 NW 2

Tokio 3a 30.32 NW 2

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E. V. D. Parr, Acting Superintendent.

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